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SOVIET oil production now reaches more than 37 million tons of oil annually, but the country needs even more. With the first five-year plan, it was announced that production would reach 51 million tons. This goal has not been reached yet. Soviet oil production lags gravely, though this major economic bottleneck cannot be explained by the effects of World War II, for the very simple reason, that the only oil-field ever occupied (or destroyed) by the Germans was the Grozny-Maikop field, which produced considerably less than 20 per cent of the country's output.

ON the basis of these facts, observers have attempted to demonstrate: a) that Russia needs more oil desperately, and that it will try very soon to dominate the Persian oil fields; and b) that Russia cannot afford a world war because this would hopelessly dislocate the country's economy for lack of oil. As to the first opinion, it should be pointed out that a Soviet conquest of Persia would not alleviate Russia's shortage of fuel during the next five years, because there are no means to transport the Persian oil to Russia. The building of a pipeline to the Caspian has been considered a most difficult and perhaps impossible proposition by most experts; even if it could be done, it would take more than four years, and then it is highly doubtful whether the Soviet steel industry would be able to supply the necessary quantities of material. Nor has Russia enough tankers to ship such a considerable quantity of Persian oil from either the Persian Gulf or the Levant to Odessa.

THE second assumption is much more logical; unfortunately it is not the logic of people bent on fulfilling what they conceive to be their historic mission. The shortage of fuel has never prevented a major war in modern history. It might well be that an output of 37 million tons is not enough for waging modern warfare, but then it should not be forgotten that Germany in 1939 had only two million tons at its disposal, which proved to be quite enough to conquer almost the whole of Europe. At no time during World War II could Hitler dispose of more than 10-12 million tons yearly.

RUSSIA has probably the largest oil reserves in the world, but it will not be able to use them in the near future, because most of these reserves are to be found in the more remote Siberian regions which are not yet accessible to modern industry, and also because Soviet industry does not yet produce the necessary quantity of drilling equipment which was formerly bought from the U.S.

MEANWHILE the Politburo is looking for alternative sources of fuel and energy, of which the large Volga-Don hydroelectric construction schemes are part. Many factories and railways have been adapted to the use of electric energy instead of oil, and there have been successful conversions of some tractor stations (ATB); electric power-driven tractors are nowadays a frequent sight in the Ukraine, Northern Caucasus and elsewhere. It has been reported from reliable sources too, that Eastern German specialists have established a large number of synthetic oil plants (the so-called Fischer-Tropsch system) in the Soviet Union.

Russia was interested in expanding in the general direction of the Persian Gulf (as Molotov put it succinctly in his talk with Hitler in November 1940), long before oil became the vitally important raw material it is now.

(Column One will not appear for the next few weeks during the absence on leave of Mr. David Courteney.)

P.C.C. Puts Off Paris Talks

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuters).—The formal opening of the Palestine Conciliation Commission's talks due to start here tomorrow, has been postponed without any alternative date being announced. It was stated at the P.C.C. headquarters tonight. No reasons were given to explain the postponement, but observers thought that Israel's publication of its full reply to the Commission's invitation has caused some "embarrassment" to the conference organizers.

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Now the Israel Government has declared that only a comprehensive settlement covering all points in dispute has any chance of success. This tends to put the Chairman of the Commission, the former U.S. Ambassador Ely Palmer in the position of seeming to be advocating an Israel plan instead of an original and independent proposal of his own.

Another point causing difficulty is the continued refusal of the Arab delegations to meet the Israel delegates around the same conference table. According to conference sources, there seems to be no chance of getting the Arab representatives to change their minds on this subject.

U.S. OPTIMISTIC & BRITAIN WAITING

By Jon Kimche
LONDON, Tuesday.—While the U.S. Embassy here seems to believe that the P.C.C. this time has adopted a realistic attitude, the British Foreign Office remains distinctly sceptical, and is adopting a wait-and-see attitude.

The P.C.C. itself, however, seemed to have lost none of its surprising optimism about the outcome of the conference.

The Commission's spokesman in Paris today emphasized that all the delegations understood that the talks would embrace the question of a total settlement, and that the Commission would not deal with any problem singly.

Wizo Approves Budget of IL.1.8m.

The Wizo conference at its session last night adopted a total budget for 1951-52 of IL.1,863,000, not including the budget of the Israel Federation. Of this estimate, IL.1,413,000 will go for maintenance and IL.450,000 for building and consolidation. The conference appealed to all federations to raise their targets for last year by at least 25 per cent.

The proposals on relations with the Israel Federation were referred to the incoming Executive, which was instructed to consult with Israel Wizo.

Man Killed, 8 Hurt In Bus Crash

HAIFA, Tuesday.—One man was killed, two others were seriously injured and at least six passengers were slightly hurt when a south-bound Egged bus crashed into a stationary army-truck on the Haifa-Tel Aviv road, near Zichron Ya'akov late this evening. The dead man, it was reported, was a Holon resident, Mr. P. Alkowitz.

The truck, loaded with mules and driven by A. Simperfeld of Tel Aviv, had reportedly stopped in the middle of the road for repairs, when it was struck by the bus, driven by Daniel Jalkowsky, also of Tel Aviv.

Ministers Meet On Middle East Defence Body

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP).—The problem of Middle East defence and the situation in Persia were believed to have been discussed by Mr. Dean Acheson and Mr. Herbert Morrison at a secret meeting here yesterday.

Informal sources revealed that the two foreign ministers were briefed on the proposed Middle East defence Command by Air Marshal Sir William Elliot, British member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's Standing Group.

He was reported to have told them that the Standing Group's work had advanced so far that a new command could be set up soon after Greece and Turkey had been admitted into NATO. He therefore believed that members of the Standing Group—Britain, France and the U.S.—can now approach other treaty members for a decision as to when the new Middle East command should be set up.

The two ministers, conferring before the full-dress three-power talks scheduled to open tomorrow, also discussed the question of Persia in considerable detail, informed sources report. It is understood that Mr. Morrison outlined the British view that stern action is now needed.

President Truman's special adviser, Mr. Averell Harriman, sat in on the talks, observers added. The conversations were being continued this morning, when the Ministers were believed to be concerning themselves with the German Peace Treaty. (See Page 3, Col. 8).

British Measure Hurts Persia

By George Lichthelm
POST Correspondent
LONDON, Tuesday.—The termination of Persia's right to convert sterling into dollars is officially described here as a measure to conserve Britain's own dollar holdings at a time when they are being depleted by the need to import oil hitherto obtained from Persia.

This is not the whole story, and nobody pretends that it is. It is, however, thought best to stress this explanation in order to make it easier for Teheran to climb down—not that there is any sign of such an intention. To talk only of sanctions would certainly have the opposite effect.

The measure is nonetheless fairly radical. Persia at one blow loses its entire dollar income, of which virtually the only source was sterling received for oil and convertible under the arrangement now terminated. Nor can the Persian Government earn any new sterling by selling the confiscated oil to other countries. This recourse, too, has been blocked by the Treasury.

Half Banned
Finally, a ban has been imposed on the export from Britain of goods labelled scarce, which, in fact, amount to half of Persia's imports. The effect of these steps is now awaited with interest. Reports from Washington suggest that Mr. Herbert Morrison, is having some trouble explaining his new firmness to the Americans. He will be able to lean on Mr. Hugh Gait-skell's statement that the Persian breakdown is costing Britain an extra \$300m. to \$400m. annually.

It is noteworthy that the latest report spoke of another British attempt to obtain U.S. support for a firmer policy toward Egypt, much to the embarrassment of the State Department.

ARABS BLOCK M.E. ECONOMIC GROUP

GENEVA, Tuesday (UP).—The U.N. Economic and Social Council will postpone any action at its current session here on the proposed to set up an economic committee for the Middle East. It was learned here yesterday.

Ben Gurion Renews Bid For Broad Coalition

SEVEN SOURCES OF BLACK MARKET CITED BY LAVON

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New Food Programme Urged

In the Knesset debate on the food situation yesterday, Mr. Y. Sapir (General Zionists) contended both Mr. Lavon's figures and the conclusions he had reached. He maintained that the Ministry of Agriculture could have made provisions last February for the drought, extending the area of dry farming, particularly in vegetable production where the cultivation of another 5,000 dunams could have considerably alleviated the shortage.

Referring to a statement by Mr. Lavon on the previous day that some farmers had sold the seed potatoes for food on the black market, Mr. Sapir declared that this also could have been foreseen and prevented.

Proper wage policy in public works could have induced the new immigrant farmers to concentrate on agricultural production, the speaker stated, demanding that new immigrants should be widely employed in food production.

Mr. A. Zisling (Mapam), former Minister of Agriculture in the Provisional Government, concentrated on what he considered the absolute lack of a clear agricultural and food policy. Mr. Lavon mentioned the drought and the Korean war as causing exceptional difficulties for Israel's agriculture, he said. But precisely in such situations is clear policy and overall planning necessary.

Low Yield Cited
He complained that the small farms settled by new immigrants deliver a disproportionately small yield to market in comparison with the amount delivered by new kibbutzim in the same area. He demanded proper agricultural training for new immigrants and for youth in general, using the wide experiences of the collective settlements.

It is not a question of collective agriculture versus individual farming, but of mixed farming versus non-mixed farming, Mr. Zisling asserted. He also attacked the settlement policy of the Government, which he claimed, prevents agricultural settlements from becoming self-supporting from farming alone.

Mr. M. Harni (Hapoel Hamizrachi) attacked the policy of the Ministry of Agriculture and declared that under present circumstances a farmer's weekly cannot bring in more than IL.2.50.

Knesset Informed Of Efforts to Mediate

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A two-ton consignment of stockings was exported to Stockholm yesterday by S.A.S. plane.

After waiting in the sun for a bus for what they considered an unduly long time, they started a passing crowd in the vicinity of the bus stop.

Work has begun at Eliah by the first emergency cooperative on a garage-service station. The garage will be equipped with a hydraulic lift and five pits for under-carriage work.

The thirteenth class of Hebrew instruction to teachers in Israel was opened in Elia Karmel this week.

A mobile orchestra, organized by the Ministry of Education, will start touring immigrant settlements this month.

Kindergarten, primary and secondary schools and schools for working youth, of all the trends will open at the end of this and the beginning of next week in immigrant camps.

Arabic was taught this year in 106 schools, of which 42 were primary, 33 secondary and 31 extension-study schools. Forty Arabic teachers, mostly Iraqi immigrants, are taking part in the extension-study schools.

The driver examiner attached in the Haifa Maritime Court on bribery charges was an employee of the Ministry of Communications' Traffic Inspection Department, and not a policeman as reported on Monday.

BOND PRIZES

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Seven drawings of series four of the Mandatory Bearer Bonds (drawings number 9 to 15 inclusive) were made at the Ohel Shem Hall here today. The prizes were small, as only a small number of the issue had been sold.

Two first prizes drawn by numbers 531337 and 767630 were for IL1,620,596 while five other first prizes, for IL814,440, were drawn by numbers 757547, 576026, 572915, 775115, and 771201.

In addition there were seven prizes of IL330,512 each, seven of IL169,600, 33 of IL88,944; 105 of IL48,691 each and 700 of IL24,509 each.

Divorce Paper Dispute Brings IL25 Fine

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITM).—For hitting a policeman in a dispute arising out of a demand that a divorce certificate be worded differently from the traditional form, Yehov' Mizrahi, 43, of Tel Aviv was fined IL25 by the Magistrate, Mr. I. Shilo, here today.

The accused had raised a commotion in Chief Rabbi I. Toledano's office at the Rabbinical Council here two months ago when the latter refused his request for an alteration in the certificate wording.

Ration News

JERUSALEM.—Chicken for ill and old today in zones A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AG, AH, AI, AJ, AK, AL, AM, AN, AO, AP, AQ, AR, AS, AT, AU, AV, AW, AX, AY, AZ, BA, BB, BC, BD, BE, BF, BG, BH, BI, BJ, BK, BL, BM, BN, BO, BP, BQ, BR, BS, BT, BU, BV, BW, BX, BY, BZ, CA, CB, CC, CD, CE, CF, CG, CH, CI, CJ, CK, CL, CM, CN, CO, CP, CQ, CR, CS, CT, CU, CV, CW, CX, CY, CZ, DA, DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, DG, DH, DI, DJ, DK, DL, DM, DN, DO, DP, DQ, DR, DS, DT, DU, DV, DW, DX, DY, DZ, EA, EB, EC, ED, EE, EF, EG, EH, EI, EJ, EK, EL, EM, EN, EO, EP, EQ, ER, ES, ET, EU, EV, EW, EX, EY, EZ, FA, FB, FC, FD, FE, FF, FG, FH, FI, FJ, FK, FL, FM, FN, FO, FP, FQ, FR, FS, FT, FU, FV, FW, FX, FY, FZ, GA, GB, GC, GD, GE, GF, GG, GH, GI, GJ, GK, GL, GM, GN, GO, GP, GQ, GR, GS, GT, GU, GV, GW, GX, GY, GZ, HA, HB, HC, HD, HE, HF, HG, HH, HI, HJ, HK, HL, HM, HN, HO, HP, HQ, HR, HS, HT, HU, HV, HW, HX, HY, HZ, IA, IB, IC, ID, IE, IF, IG, IH, II, IJ, IK, IL, IM, IN, IO, IP, IQ, IR, IS, IT, IU, IV, IW, IX, IY, IZ, JA, JB, JC, JD, JE, JF, JG, JH, JI, JJ, JK, JL, JM, JN, JO, JP, JQ, JR, JS, JT, JU, JV, JW, JX, JY, JZ, KA, KB, KC, KD, KE, KF, KG, KH, KI, KJ, KK, KL, KM, KN, KO, KP, KQ, KR, KS, KT, KU, KV, KW, KX, KY, KZ, LA, LB, LC, LD, LE, LF, LG, LH, LI, LJ, LK, LL, LM, LN, LO, LP, LQ, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, LW, LX, LY, LZ, MA, MB, MC, MD, ME, MF, MG, MH, MI, MJ, MK, ML, MM, MN, MO, MP, MQ, MR, MS, MT, MU, MV, MW, MX, MY, MZ, NA, NB, NC, ND, NE, NF, NG, NH, NI, NJ, NK, NL, NM, NN, NO, NP, NQ, NR, NS, NT, NU, NV, NW, NX, NY, NZ, OA, OB, OC, OD, OE, OF, OG, OH, OI, OJ, OK, OL, OM, ON, OO, OP, OQ, OR, OS, OT, OU, OV, OW, OX, OY, OZ, PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PF, PG, PH, PI, PJ, PK, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ, PR, PS, PT, PU, PV, PW, PX, PY, PZ, QA, QB, QC, QD, QE, QF, QG, QH, QI, QJ, QK, QL, QM, QN, QO, QP, QQ, QR, QS, QT, QU, QV, QW, QX, QY, QZ, RA, RB, RC, RD, RE, RF, RG, RH, RI, RJ, RK, RL, RM, RN, RO, RP, RQ, RR, RS, RT, RU, RV, RW, RX, RY, RZ, SA, SB, SC, SD, SE, SF, SG, SH, SI, SJ, SK, SL, SM, SN, SO, SP, SQ, SR, SS, ST, SU, SV, SW, SX, SY, SZ, TA, TB, TC, TD, TE, TF, TG, TH, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TM, TN, TO, TP, TQ, TR, TS, TT, TU, TV, TW, TX, TY, TZ, UA, UB, UC, UD, UE, UF, UG, UH, UI, UJ, UK, UL, UM, UN, UO, UP, UQ, UR, US, UT, UU, UV, UW, UX, UY, UZ, VA, VB, VC, VD, VE, VF, VG, VH, VI, VJ, VK, VL, VM, VN, VO, VP, VQ, VR, VS, VT, VU, VW, VX, VY, VZ, WA, WB, WC, WD, WE, WF, WG, WH, WI, WJ, WK, WL, WM, WN, WO, WP, WQ, WR, WS, WT, WU, WV, WW, WX, WY, WZ, XA, XB, XC, XD, XE, XF, XG, XH, XI, XJ, XK, XL, XM, XN, XO, XP, XQ, XR, XS, XT, XU, XV, XW, XX, XY, XZ, YA, YB, YC, YD, YE, YF, YG, YH, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YM, YN, YO, YP, YQ, YR, YS, YT, YU, YV, YW, YX, YY, YZ, ZA, ZB, ZC, ZD, ZE, ZF, ZG, ZH, ZI, ZJ, ZK, ZL, ZM, ZN, ZO, ZP, ZQ, ZR, ZS, ZT, ZU, ZV, ZW, ZX, ZY, ZZ.

New Bans Signal Men Refuse To Work with Chief

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—New restrictions on the use and consumption of electric current were announced today.

As from tomorrow, consumers served by the Palestine Electric Corporation will be permitted to use no more than one 100-watt lamp in each living room and no more than one 60-watt lamp in halls, corridors, balconies, kitchens and bathrooms until 9.30 at night. After that hour normal lighting will be permitted.

Consumers have been asked not to burn lights unnecessarily. Although no restrictions have been placed on the use of iron, housewives are asked to use them as sparingly as possible. Shop windows and signs may be switched on only after 9.30 p.m. on Wednesdays, but are permitted earlier on Fridays and Saturdays.

In the Southern area, electricity for cooking may be used only up to 7 a.m., from 12.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and after 9.30 p.m. In the Northern Area, the permitted hours are up to 7 a.m., between 1 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. and after 9.30 p.m.

The new restrictions will be necessary until the new generating set has been installed and is working—possibly in about six weeks' time. By that time irrigation will also have decreased and more current will then be available for industrial and domestic purposes.

Jerusalem Darkened

A large section of the centre of Jerusalem was thrown into darkness last evening when one of the generators of the Jerusalem Electric Corporation broke down. The interruption lasted an hour in some sections.

It recalled the warning of company officials, several weeks ago, that most of the equipment was in a dangerous state of disrepair and that regular breakdowns might develop.

UNION GIVES CAPITAL'S EMPLOYEES GO AHEAD

Jerusalem Municipal workers' demands were approved by the Clerical Union of the Histrut in Tel Aviv yesterday. A delegation of the Municipal workers was received by the Clerical Union Board today.

The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. S.Z. Shragal, is scheduled to confer today with representatives of city employees to determine the exact nature of their demands.

He said that Monday's meeting of city workers at which he had been present, was a complete surprise to him. He said that he had met with the workers' representatives on Sunday to discuss other matters.

Mr. Shragal also observed that the Municipal Council had already authorized one salary increase, which brought city employees into line with those in Tel Aviv. The latter Municipality had recently granted their workers another raise. The latest demand for a salary increase, he said, had been submitted three weeks ago and the Municipal Council has been on a month's vacation.

The Council will meet next week, the Mayor stated.

GLASS SPLINTERS FOUND IN BREAD

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITM).—Police were today investigating the origin of a loaf of bread found to contain glass splinters.

The bread was purchased this morning by Mr. Abraham Pelet, of Rehov Amzalek, from a grocer in Rehov Rukach, and was found to contain the glass. As the grocer buys his bread from a number of bakeries, police are now investigating all of them.

Stamps for the Holidays



The sale of this year's High Holy Days stamps will begin on Sunday at all Post Offices. First Day covers will also be available.

Widow Given IL51; Had Little Left

JAFFA, Tuesday.—When a POST reporter brought IL51 in contributions to the widow of Nissan Levi today, she had only IL16 left in her purse.

Another IL30 was received by the POST's offices in the three cities today, bringing the total to IL81 contributed to date.

Mrs. Olga Levi, 25, mother of three children, has not moved from her house since the murder of her husband last week. He had been on his way to work when he was stabbed and beaten to death when mistaken for a thief.

The children, two boys and a girl, age three to six, have been cared for by neighbours and relatives. As Mrs. Levi has been too ill to leave the house, she told the POST today that she and her husband came to Israel from Sofia, Bulgaria, two and a half years ago. They obtained a room and a half in an old quarter of Jaffa from the Custodian of Abandoned Property.

Mrs. Levi, who appeared to be in a state of semi-shock, spoke listlessly and acknowledged the money with a slow nod of her head.

Leo Herrmann Laid to Rest

Mr. Leo Herrmann, one of the founders of the Keren Hayesod and its General Secretary for 30 years, was buried yesterday afternoon in the Sanhedria Cemetery in Jerusalem at the side of Leib Yaffe and three colleagues who were killed when the Keren Hayesod building was blown up three and a half years ago. Mr. Herrmann died suddenly on Monday night.

A large crowd of friends and men of public affairs were at the Keren Hayesod building when the cortege arrived from Tel Aviv in the car which had carried him through the length and breadth of the country for many years.

In the company of the bereaved family were the entire staff of the Keren Hayesod, Cabinet Ministers, the Knesset, the President of the Supreme Court, the Co-Chairman and other members of the Jewish Agency Executive, the Mayor of Jerusalem, the Rector of the Hebrew University, the Director of the Jewish National Fund, a large number of veteran Zionists and friends, and many members of the Czech Immigrants Association.

Mr. Locker's Eulogy

Mr. Bert Locker, eulogizing the deceased on behalf of the World Zionist Organization, called him a "man who had been modest in his ways, but a devoted and courageous Zionist as few were." He sketched Mr. Herrmann's life from his student days in assimilation in Prague before World War I as a member of a small group of Zionist students, as a man who had contributed to the formation of Zionist ideology and who had by his writing reached the Jewish masses, as the editor of two important Zionist journals, "Die Selbstwehr" and "L'Esprit," as a founder of the Keren Hayesod.

Mr. Locker called it a tragic event that Herrmann's life had been cut short precisely at the moment when the Keren Hayesod, in accordance with the decision of the Zionist Congress, was about to become an institution of greater authority and responsibility in the Zionist movement.

Mr. Locker spoke on behalf of the Executive of the Histrut with which Mr. Herrmann had been connected for 30 years. Mr. Y. Maimon spoke in the name of the Keren Hayesod staff.

Cantor Bar Zakai intoned the Kaddish. The Kaddish, the brother-in-law said Kaddish. The offices of the Keren Hayesod were closed all day.

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Owing to the connection of an appreciable number of new consumers this year, coupled with the seasonal increase in domestic consumption during evening hours, the Corporation is obliged, for the time being, to make further adjustments in the supply schedule curtailing the use of electricity during the evening peak hours.

Pursuant to the Electricity Restrictions Order, 1951, the Corporation hereby informs consumers that, with the approval of the Competent Authority, the following schedule will apply as from Wednesday, September 12, 1951, until further notice, in respect of the categories of supply specified below, instead of the schedule in force hitherto:—

1. IN RESIDENTIAL PREMISES

a. Lighting

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Not exceeding 100 Watts in any room, and not exceeding 60 Watts in any kitchen, balcony or other service room in the residence.

(The above wattages may not be exceeded in any one room, even if lights are not being used in other rooms.)

There are no restrictions on electric lighting after 9.30 p.m.

Consumers are requested to switch off the lights in rooms and on balconies when not required.

b. Cooking, baking and heating

The use of cooking, baking and heating appliances (electric cookers, cooking plates, saucepans, kettles, coffee roasting machines, etc.) on all weekdays is permitted only at the following hours:

SOUTHERN AREA (from Nathanya southwards) **NORTHERN AREA** (north of Nathanya)

MORNING ONLY before 7 a.m. **ONLY** before 7 a.m.

AFTERNOON From 12.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. **From 1 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.**

EVENING After 9.30 p.m. **After 9.30 p.m.**

c. The use of wash boilers on weekdays is permitted only between 3.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. and overnight from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

d. Refrigerators, radio sets, electric irons, washing machines (without heating elements), vacuum cleaners and electro-therapy appliances are exempt from restrictions, as hitherto.

Note: 1. Consumers are reminded that storage water heaters may, as hitherto, be switched on ONLY overnight, between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

2. Although there are no restrictions under the Order relating to the use of electric irons, consumers are requested to avoid, as far as possible, using them between 6.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m.

3. IN PREMISES OTHER THAN RESIDENTIAL — FOR ADVERTISING AND SHOP-WINDOW LIGHTING.

On Sundays to Thursdays, inclusive, electricity may be used ONLY after 9.30 p.m. for advertising, and for the lighting of shop-windows and building facades.

4. IN ALL OTHER CATEGORIES OF SUPPLY.

The restrictions at present in force applying in each category of supply other than those referred to above will continue unchanged.

Tito Offers Italians Peace, Warning

BELGRADE, Tuesday (UP).—Marshal Tito extended a "hand of conciliation" to Italy yesterday, declaring that Yugoslavia wants to settle all disputes with Italy peacefully. But the Yugoslav leader warned the Italians, who have recently been demanding the return of Trieste and Dalmatia: "Whoever comes to Yugoslavia as an aggressor or occupier will find his grave in it."

The Yugoslav leader spoke in a Navy Day speech at Djulje, near Split, as Italian Premier Alcide de Gasperi was en route to the U.S. for talks on the future of Trieste and Yugoslav-Italian relations.

Tito warned Italy: "Do not forget the world is threatened by a new world war. Do not forget every rash step, every rejection of a peace-loving solution means plunging the world into new and terrible sacrifices... We want you to note that we in Yugoslavia wish for nothing else but peace, and we wish to settle all controversial questions with you."

"But at the same time, do not forget that here stands a new Yugoslavia. It knows what it wants and what it must do to defend its peaceful life. We are extending your hand of conciliation."

Magdiel Officials Freed Of Fraud Charges

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—The chairman of the Magdiel Local Council, Mr. Zvi Zamir, and the director of the Magdiel labour exchange, Mr. Ephraim Skidelsky, were acquitted by the Magistrate, Mr. Y. Malan, here today of the charge of obtaining money under false pretences from the Ministry of Defence.

The charge had arisen from a complaint by Mr. M. Ben Horin, a former soldier, who had accused Mr. Zamir and Mr. Skidelsky of collecting rental fees from the Ministry for soldiers who were given accommodation in town, but did not actually stay for the periods specified.

The accused contended that although money had been collected under the names of soldiers who were no longer being accommodated, this was an administrative error, and the money paid for by the Ministry was always filled.

The Magistrate held that the accused had collected the money in furtherance of a public task and had taken none of it for themselves. There had not been the slightest proof, he said, that the accused had tried to cheat in any way.

First Government Nurses Graduated

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—The first nurses to complete a three-year course under Government auspices were graduated at a festive ceremony held at the Yarkon Hospital here this evening. There were 21 graduates.

Also receiving their diplomas were 35 other nurses who began their courses under the mandate and completed their study since the establishment of the State.

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Girl Who Converted, Married Arab, Abducted

JAFFA, Tuesday.—An 18-year-old girl, who left her parents' home here on Sunday and became a Moslem and married a 32-year-old Arab, was last night forcibly removed by a group of 10 young men and women from the cellar in which she was living with her husband and taken to Tel Aviv.

The husband is reported to have said that if his young wife now wishes to obtain a divorce he will agree, although with great regret.

The girl, who was born in Odessa and came to Israel with her parents in 1948, had worked as a waitress in the Food Control Office canteen here and studied stenography in the evenings. Her parents were informed of her conversion and wedding on Sunday evening.

The policeman discovered the salesman by chance. While walking along Rehov Ra'anana he noticed a housewife carrying tomatoes and, upon inquiry she pointed to a house saying that she had got them from "the neighbour's garden."

Behind the house the policeman found a garden, but nothing was growing there except a queue. A man and his wife sold the tomatoes from cases. Both were arrested.

Japan Treaty 'A Model for Germany'

NEW YORK, Tuesday (UP).—The Japanese peace treaty points the way for a similar settlement of the war with Germany, the "New York Times" editorial today stated.

It said the Big Three Foreign Ministers with the San Francisco conference behind them, "are meeting in Washington to lay the groundwork for a settlement with Germany that is basic to the solution of many other problems."

This settlement is designed to accomplish the peace and security of the Atlantic community what the Japanese settlement is intended to do for peace and security in the Pacific area, the newspaper said.

The newspaper admitted that the problems of a settlement with Germany are far more complicated than those of a settlement with Japan. The stubborn political, military and economic factors of Europe combine with memories of Germany's past misdeeds to erect greater barriers than were faced in the case of Japan. However, it said, overriding such considerations is the necessity of restoring peace in Europe insofar as possible, and in this peace "to regain Germany for the free world and unite it with the West in defence of freedom."

UJA VISITORS TOUR MALBEN PROJECTS

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—The UJA delegation, now visiting Israel, today toured Malben institutions, including Kfar Uriel (the village of the blind), a hospital for chronic patients, a new tuberculosis hospital and workshops manned by invalids.

At Kfar Uriel, Mr. Charles Passman, Director of Malben, explained that since the establishment of the village a year ago, the 65 families had saved cooperatively about IL7,000, most of which they had invested in improvements in the village and the acquisition of radio sets, ice chests and additional furniture.

At Mahane Israel, the party toured the hospital wards and the occupational and physiotherapy centres.

Tonight the delegation were the dinner guests of Foreign Minister Sharett prior to his departure for the U.S. The members are due to leave the country on Thursday.

BEN GURION

(Continued from Page One) derates had stated at the close of the Council meeting in Tel Aviv that they did not accept the decision to discontinue the talks.

Leaders of the minority faction, however, said privately that they did not prepare to pick up the talks independently. They said there was no chance of a split in Mapai at this stage. They interpreted their reservation to mean that they did not regard the resolution as representing the wishes of the Party's rank and file and they still hoped to reverse the decision.

Meanwhile, the negotiations with the General Zionists and Hapoel Hamizrabi continued yesterday. Mr. Ben Gurion received from Masra, Israel Rokach and Peretz Bernstein, of the General Zionists, a memorandum on his proposed programme. It is understood that the only demand by the General Zionists which Mr. Ben Gurion has declined to consider was for the nationalization of the Joint Labour Exchange. The talks on the other demands have not yet produced complete accord, however.

Meir Arzov, Mordecai Namir and Akiva Givrin of Mapai conferred for several hours last night with Dr. Ze'rah Warhaftig, Dr. Yosef Burg and Mr. Moshe Ussis of Hapoel Hamizrabi.

In his Knesset statement, Mr. Ben Gurion said he hoped to be able to inform the President in a few days' time whether he will be able to undertake the formation of a government.

Vital Need

He declared that he favoured a broad coalition because "the maximum national concentration in the direction of the State is a vital political and economic need."

"I fear that in the next four years we shall face tests which may be more severe and graver than the trials of the past four years," he continued.

He said all the parties he had approached had expressed a desire to participate in the Government and to share responsibility. He was not unmindful of the conflict between the various parties, some of which were serious and some exaggerated, but he thought they could be brought together.

"I have deliberately forgotten and will forget everything that others have said during the election campaign, and with full knowledge of the differences of opinion, I am in the possibility of uniting," Mr. Ben Gurion declared.

The delay in forming a government was due to the fact that the various parties had all sorts of demands, conditions and aspirations and some of the demands conflicted with others. He regarded himself as a mediator, he said.

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GREEK RESULTS

ATHENS, Tuesday (UP).—The new right-wing Greek Rally Party scored an overwhelming victory in Sunday's national-wide parliamentary elections, according to virtually complete official returns last night. However, the party failed to obtain the majority needed to control the parliament.

Official returns from 3,583 precincts of a total of 3,910 gave the Greek Rally 500,141 votes. The nearest opponent was the National Progressive Union with 344,770, while the Liberals received 283,757.

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